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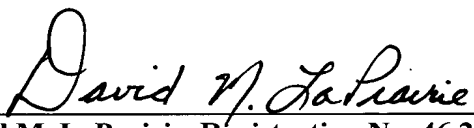
After entry of the subject Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-5 and 8-23 remain in the application with claims 1, 3, 4, and 5 in independent form. More specifically, in this Preliminary Amendment, claims 2, 10, and 11 remain unchanged, claims 6 and 7 are cancelled, and claims 18-23 have been added. The rest of the claims have been amended. For the Examiner's reference, claims 6 and 7 were previously cancelled in the Article 34 Amendment (copy attached to this filing) submitted in the corresponding PCT application. Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact the undersigned attorney.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our deposit account no. 08-2789 for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

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